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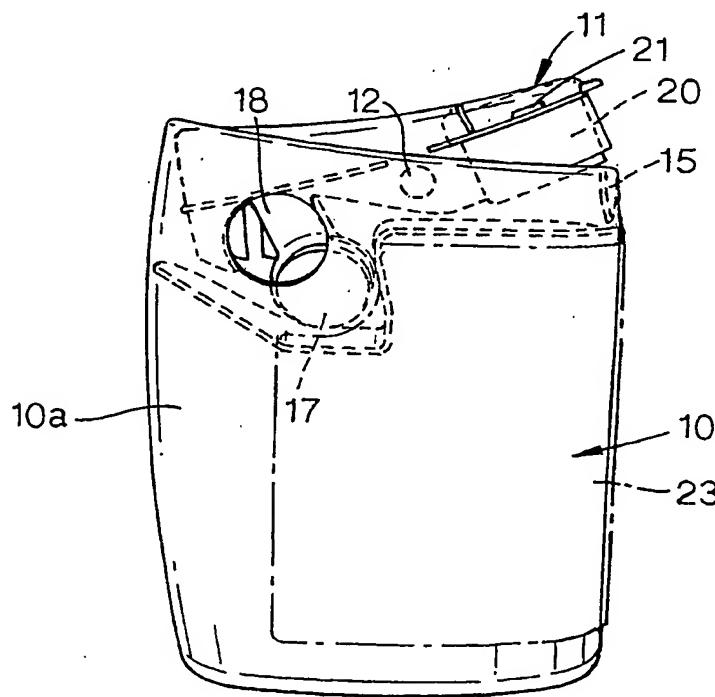
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(54) Title: A CONTAINER FOR PILLS AND A METHOD OF FORMING SUCH A CONTAINER



(57) Abstract: A container for pills and the like, and comprising a shell (10), a closure (11) for that shell, a pivotal mounting (12) in the shell for the closure so that the closure is arranged for rotation on an axis to rock between a closed position in which the closure seals the shell, and an open position in which the closure can dispense a pill or the like from the interior of the shell through an aperture, in which there is a detent (engageable by button 17) arranged to secure the closure in its closed position, and a point on the surface of the shell to which pressure can be applied to release the detent and so allow the closure to be rocked from its closed position to its open position. The purpose of the container is to prevent access by children to pharmaceutical drugs within the container, while allowing elderly or infirm adults to have easy access to those drugs. An independent claim included for a method of forming such a container.



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